## IN THE SPECIFICATION

On page 2, please replace paragraph [0001] with the following paragraph:

This application is a divisional application of co-pending U.S. Patent Application No. 10/144,166, filed May 10, 2002 entitled "Method and Apparatus for Transferring Blocks" (now U.S. Patent No. 6,731,353). This application is also a continuation in part of Application Number 09/932,409 filed on August 17, 2001 entitled hereby incorporated by reference. This invention was made with government support invention.